



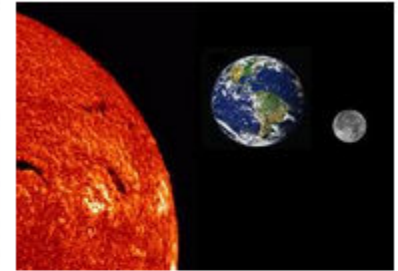
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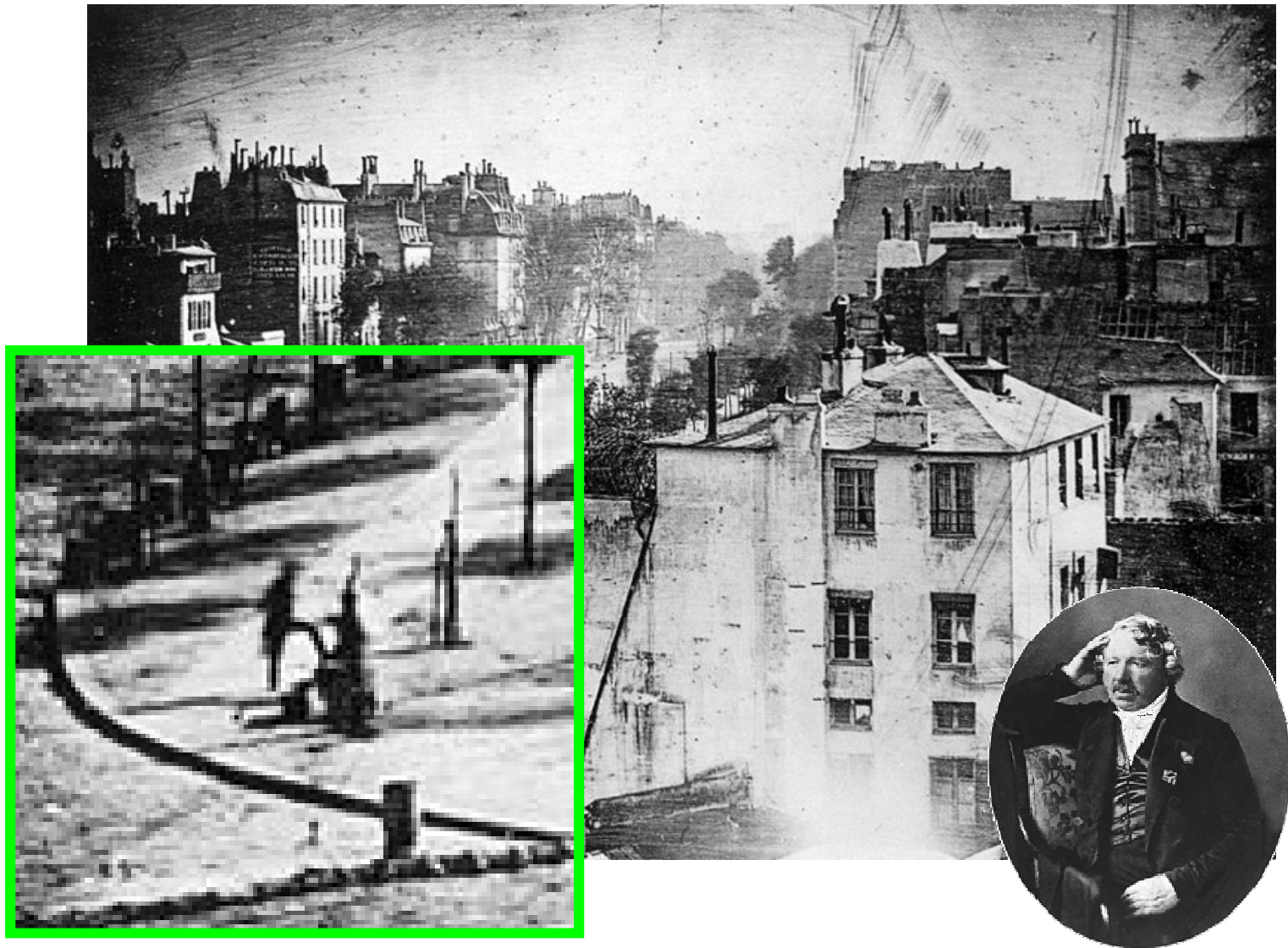
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# The Power of Images



Earth as viewed from the Moon during the Apollo 8 mission, Christmas Eve, 1968





**Paris~1838: Louis-Jacques-Mandé Daguerre**

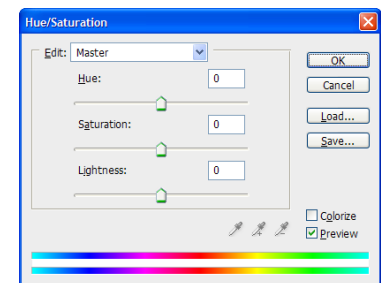
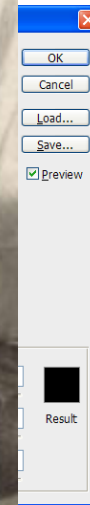
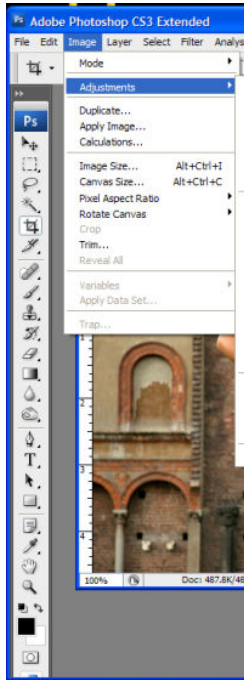




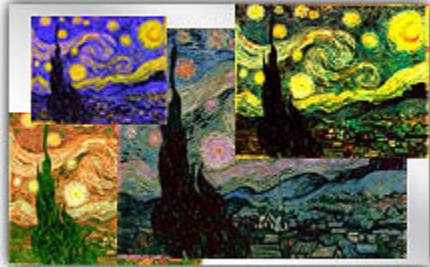
~ 1940



After 1940



# Changing Colors



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# Color

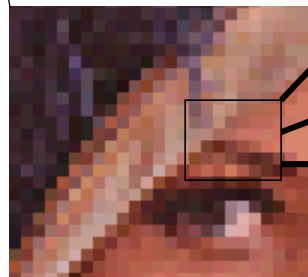


400 nm

500 nm

600 nm

700 nm



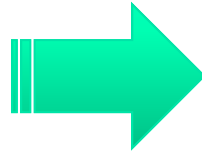
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		127	127	95	175	127	127

3x1-byte channels: Red, Green, Blue

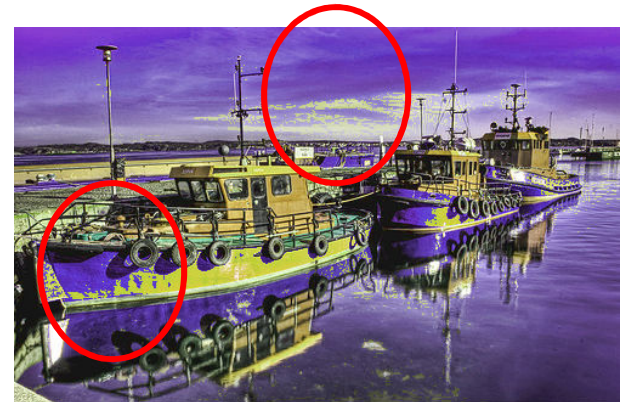
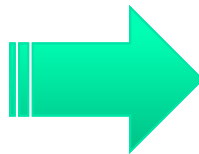


# Changing Colors is Difficult

- Global changes → limited

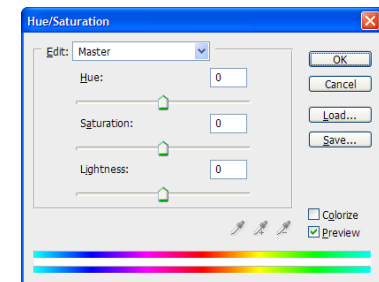
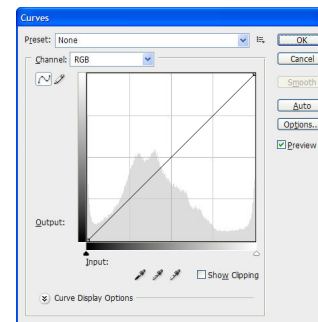
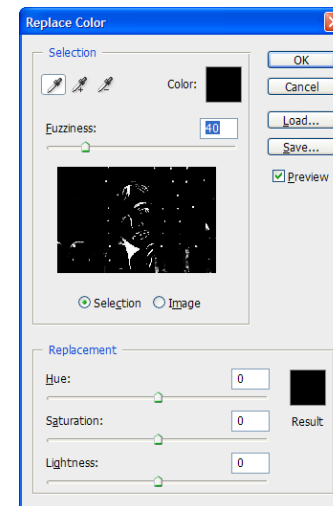
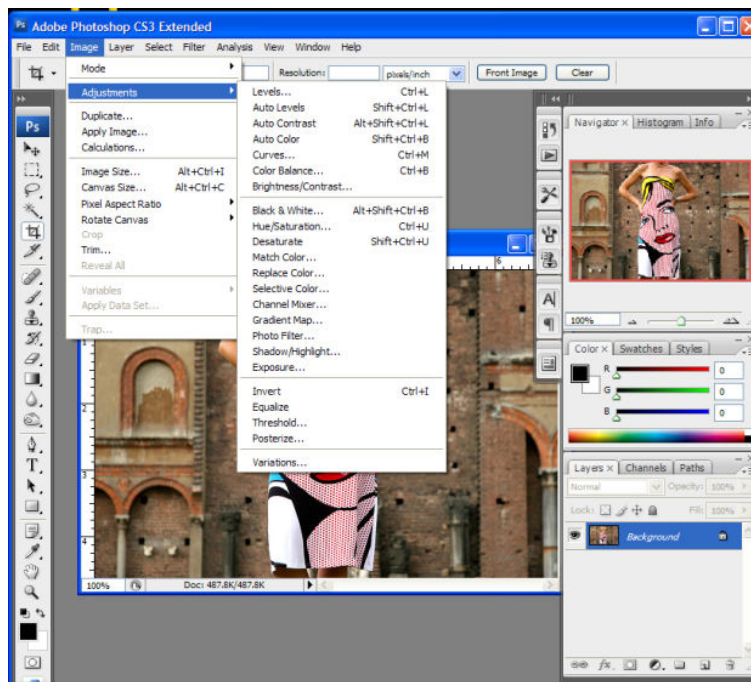


- Local changes → tend to create unrealistic artifacts





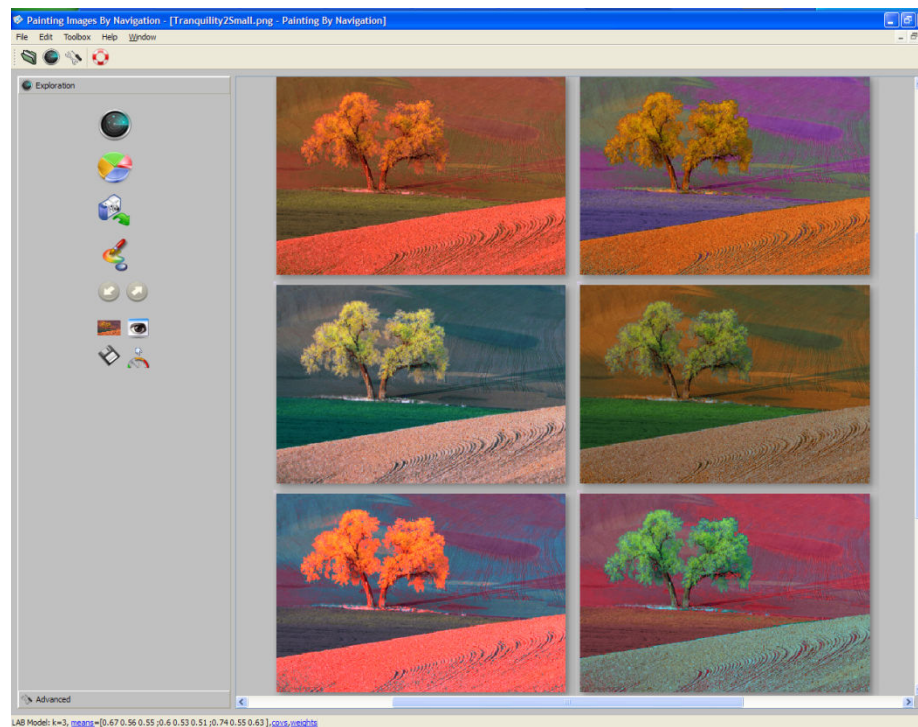
# Changing Colors is Tedious



# Change to What Color?

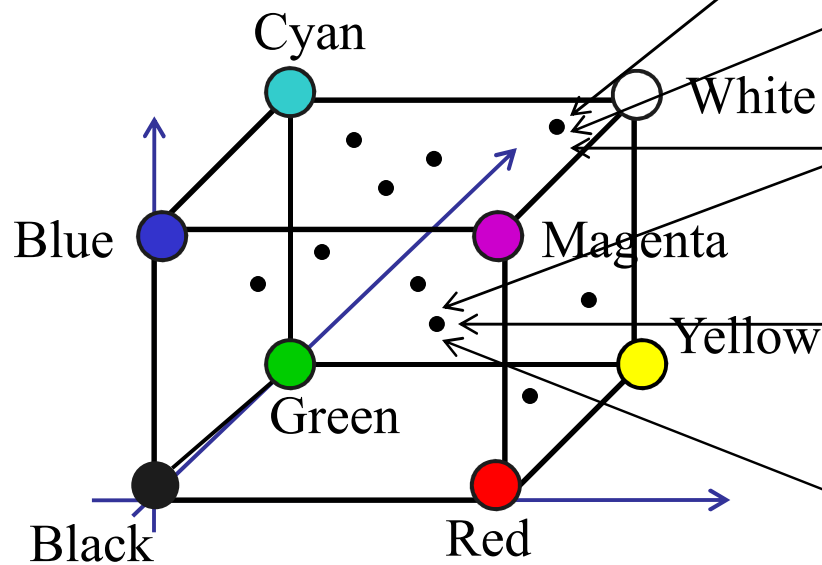


# Our Approach

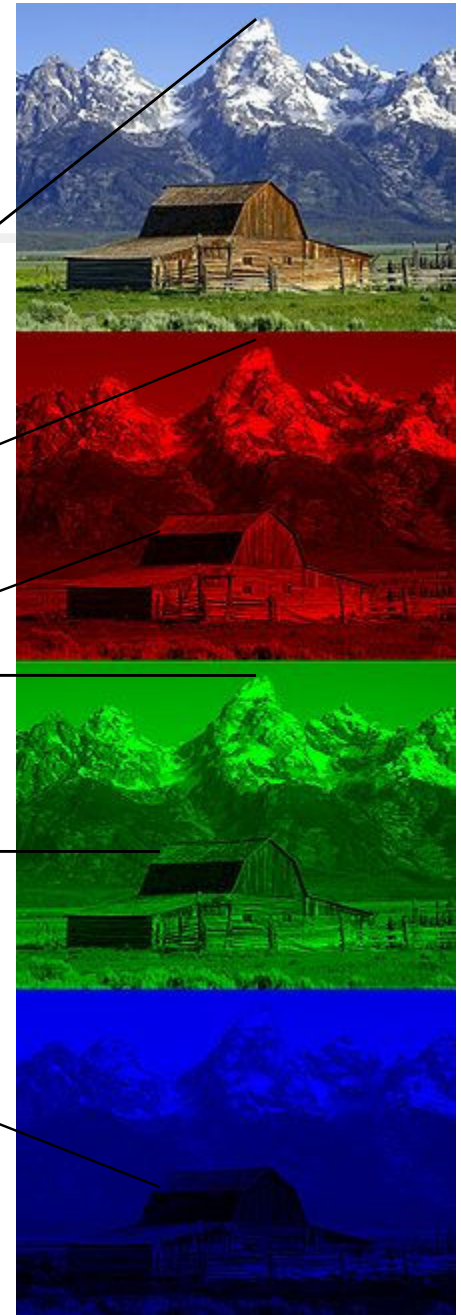


# Representing Color

- Each Pixel can be seen as a 3D point in RGB space:

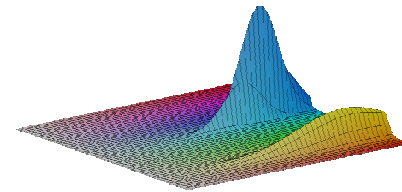
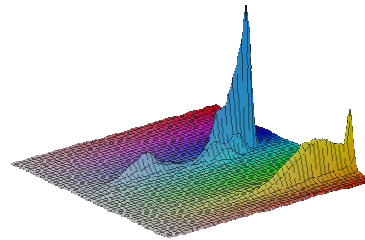


A 3D histogram of color values





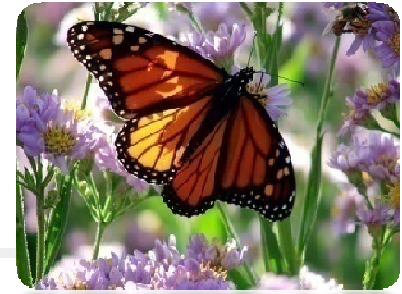
# Part 1: Parametric Modeling of the Image Colors



- More natural color spaces: HSV, Lab
- We use the 2D color channels and fit a Gaussian Mixture Model to the pixel colors histogram in these spaces



# Association of Pixels



- Each pixel in the image is associated with a probability vector of matching each Gaussian

$$p = (p_1, \dots, p_k) \text{ s.t. } p_i = P(x | C_i), \sum_{i=1..k} p_i = 1$$

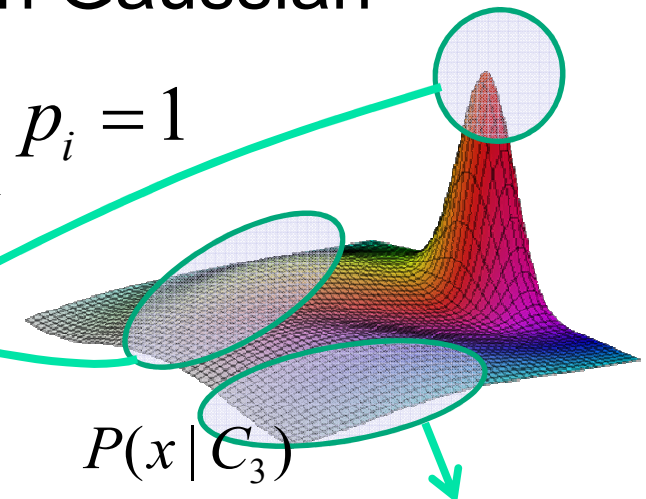
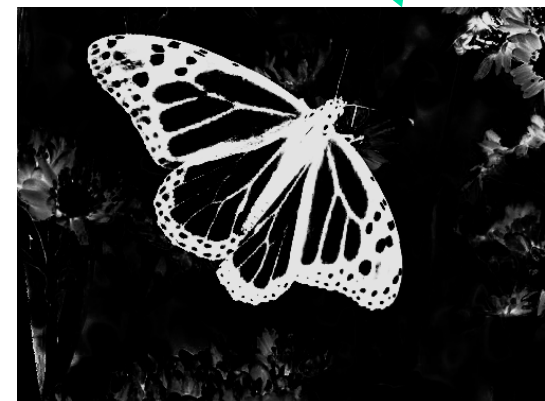
$P(x | C_1)$



$P(x | C_2)$

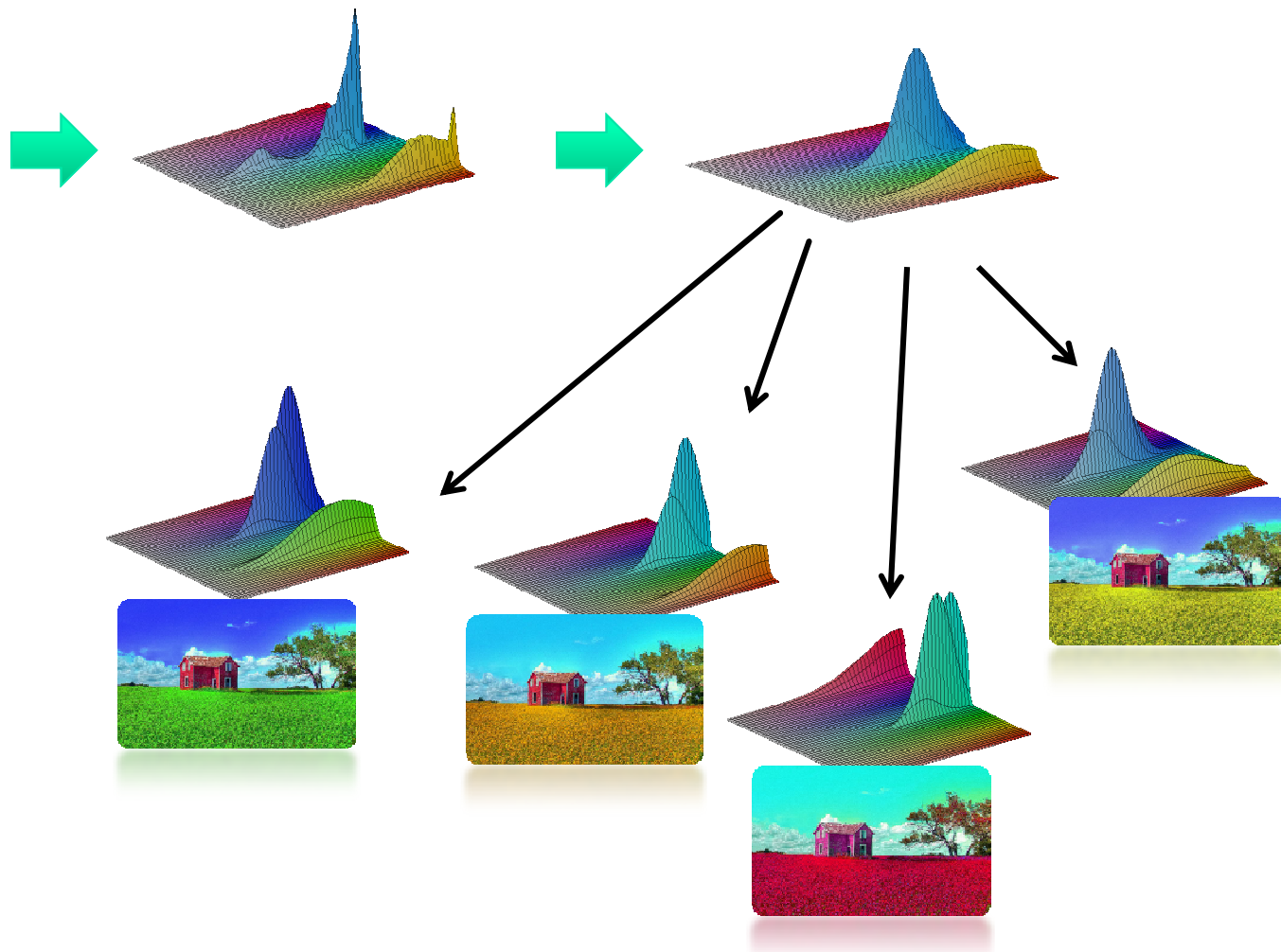


$P(x | C_3)$

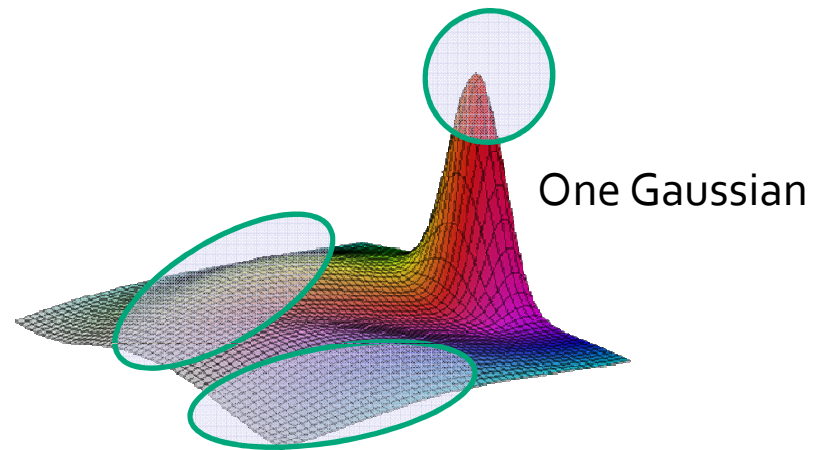


# Key Idea

Changes in Model Parameters  
Leads to a Change in the Image

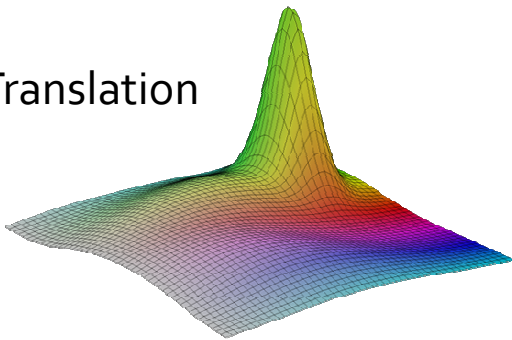


# Model Parametric Changes

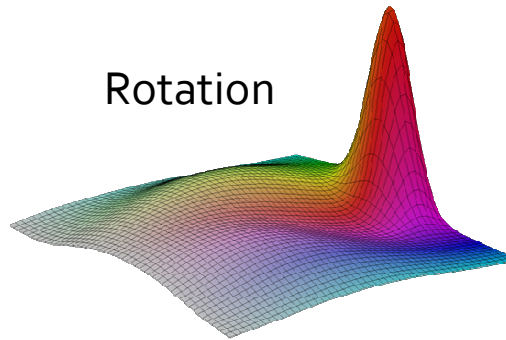


Gaussian Mixture Model,  $K=3$

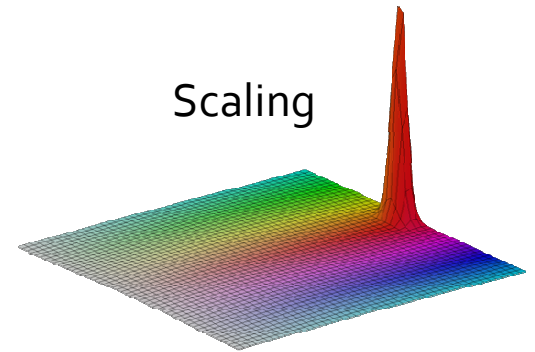
Translation



Rotation



Scaling



## New Pixel Color

- After transformation, the Gaussian  $\sim N(\boldsymbol{\mu}_i, \mathbf{C}_i)$  has a new mean and covariance matrix  $\sim N(\boldsymbol{\mu}_i^{new}, \mathbf{C}_i^{new})$
- A pixel color  $x$  is transformed by the operations on Gaussian  $i$  as follows:

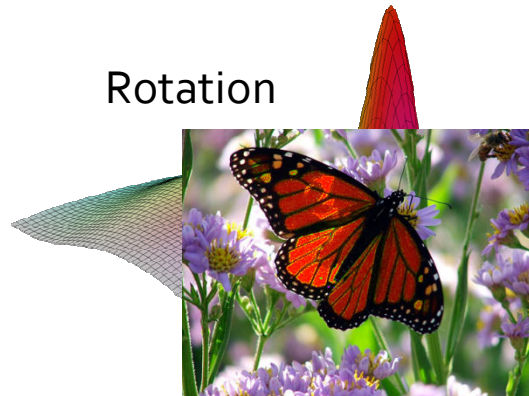
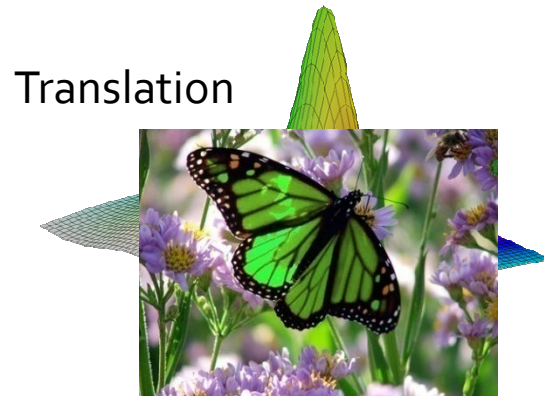
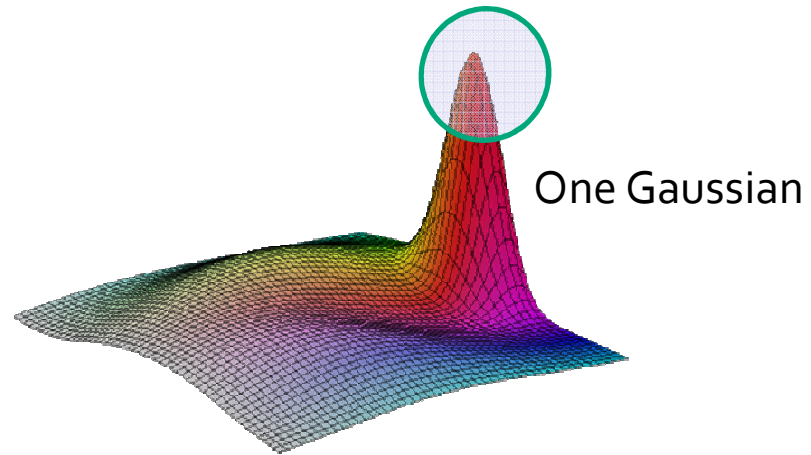
$$x_i = \mathbf{C}_i^{new} \cdot \mathbf{C}_i^{-1} \cdot \left( (x - \boldsymbol{\mu}_i) + \boldsymbol{\mu}_i^{new} \right)$$

- The new pixel color is given by the weighted average of all new colors created by all Gaussians:

$$x^{new} = \sum_{i=1}^k p_i x_i$$

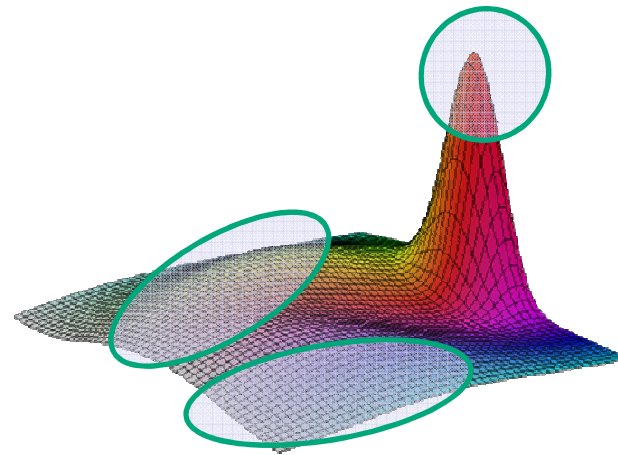


# Synthesizing New Image: Simple Example

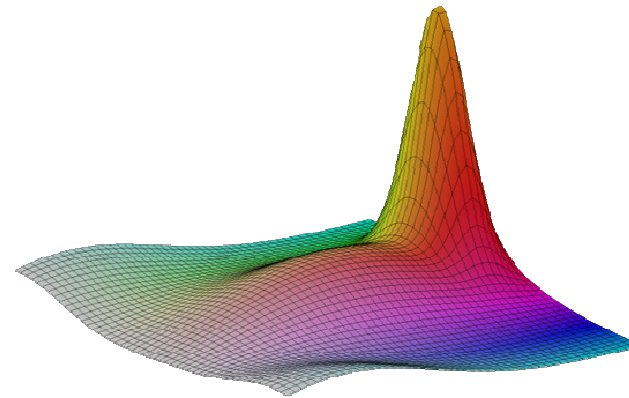
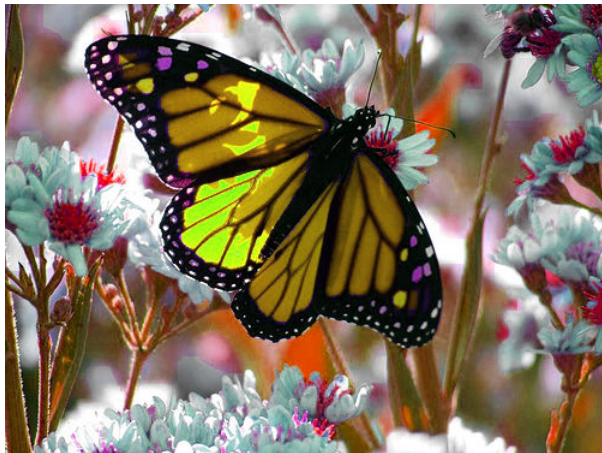




# Combining Complex Transformation



Gaussian Mixture Model,  $K=3$



Complex Transformation

## Part II:

### Navigation in Appearance Space

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- Once we have a way to synthesize new images based on changing a parametric model we can build a simple algorithm:

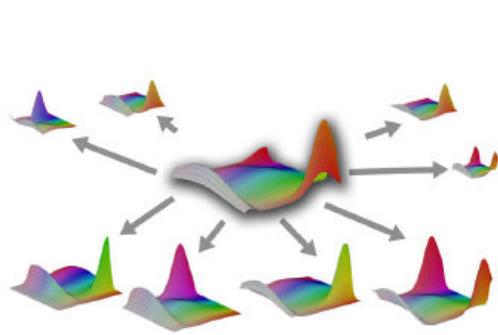
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10 Sample parametric space
20 Synthesize images
30 Display to user
40 Accept user feedback
50 Goto 10
```

# User Interface Challenges

- How to display the image results?
- How to let the user interact with them?



# Map from High Dimension to 2D



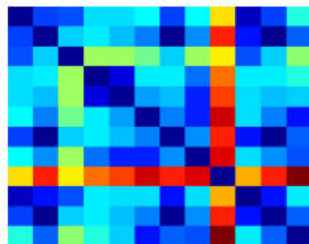
Sample Space



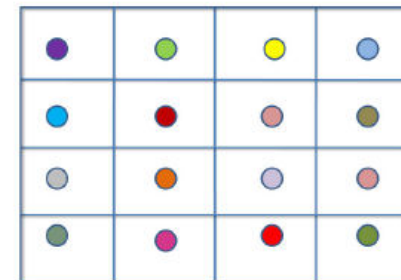
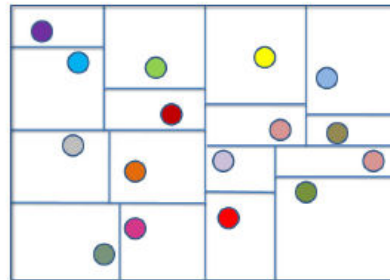
MDS



Grid layout

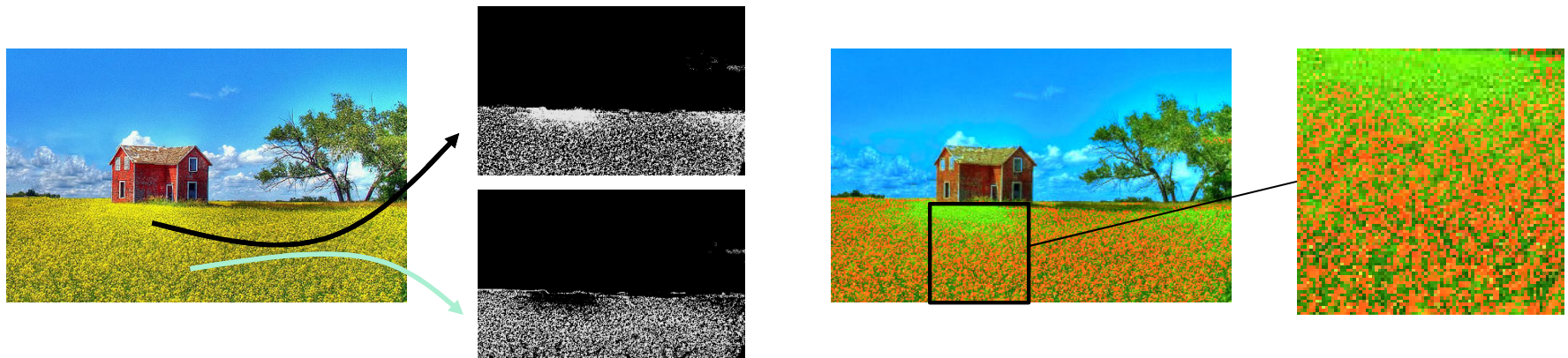


Affinity

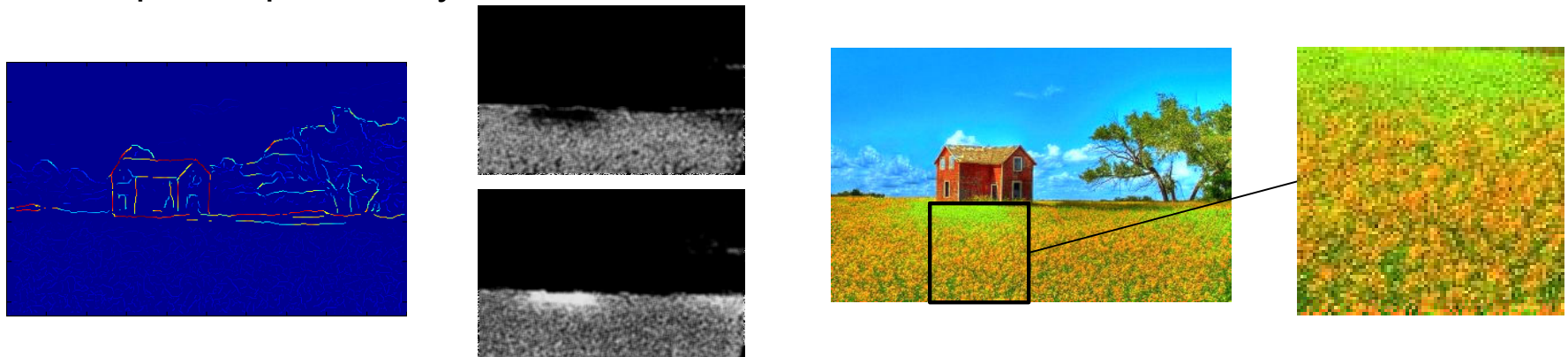


# Spatial Considerations

- Complex colors may cause **spatial artifacts**



- To reduce these, we use a natural edge map and apply a median-filter on each pixel's probability vector



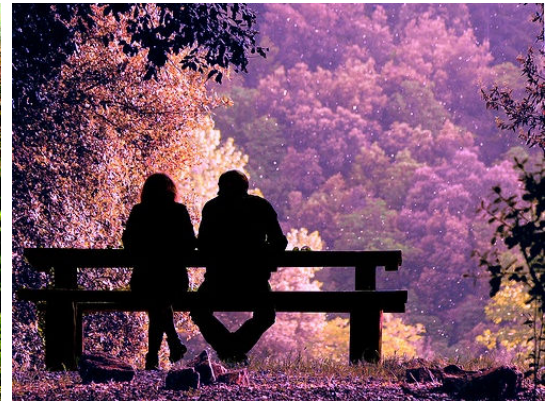








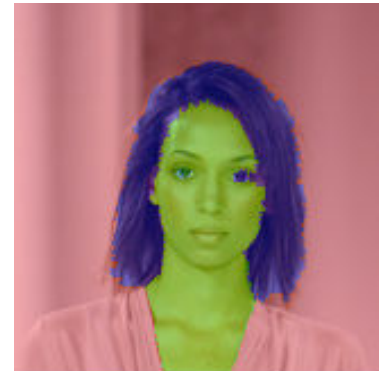
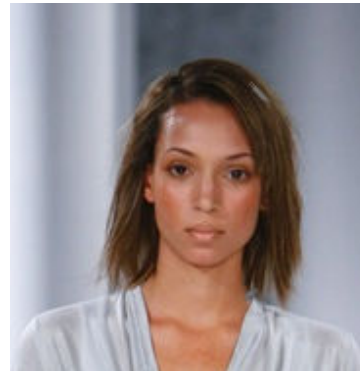
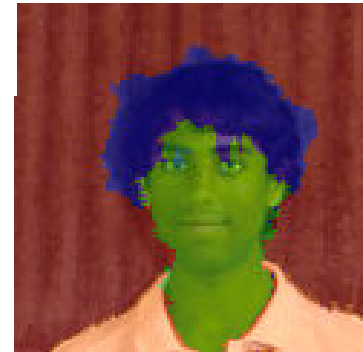






## Other Use of Parametric Color Model

- Defining image regions to extract the head by defining the characteristic color of face (skin colors), hair (hair colors) and background.





# Synthesize to Change Skin Color

- Mapping the extracted face skin color to all skin regions:



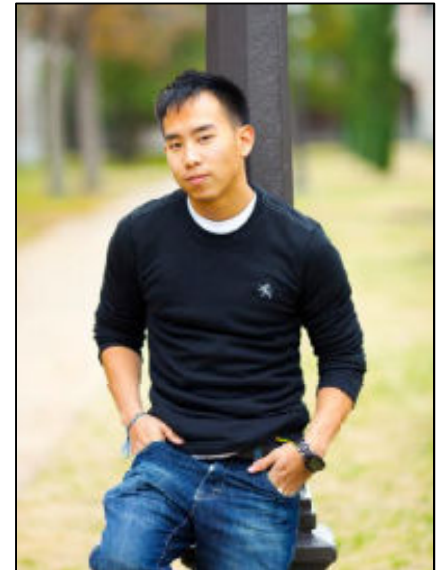
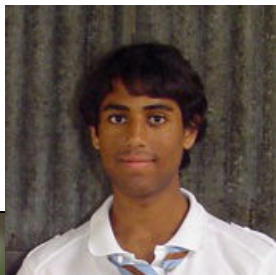
# Identity Transfer



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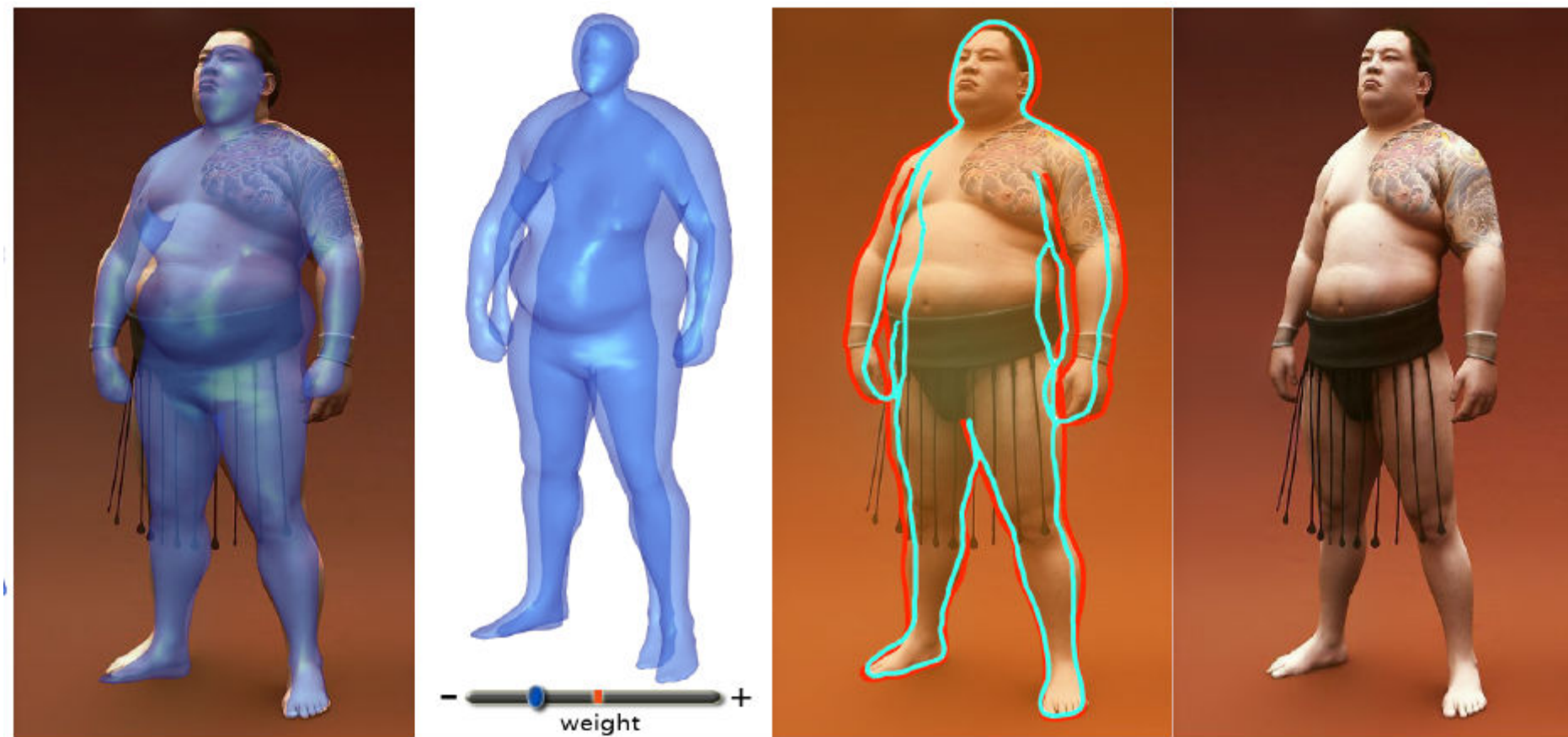


# Image Composition





# Shape Retargeting



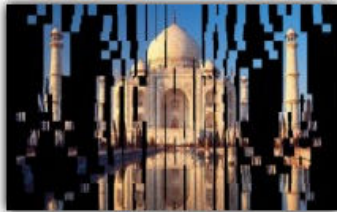
# Which is Fake?



# Which is Fake?



# Changing Size



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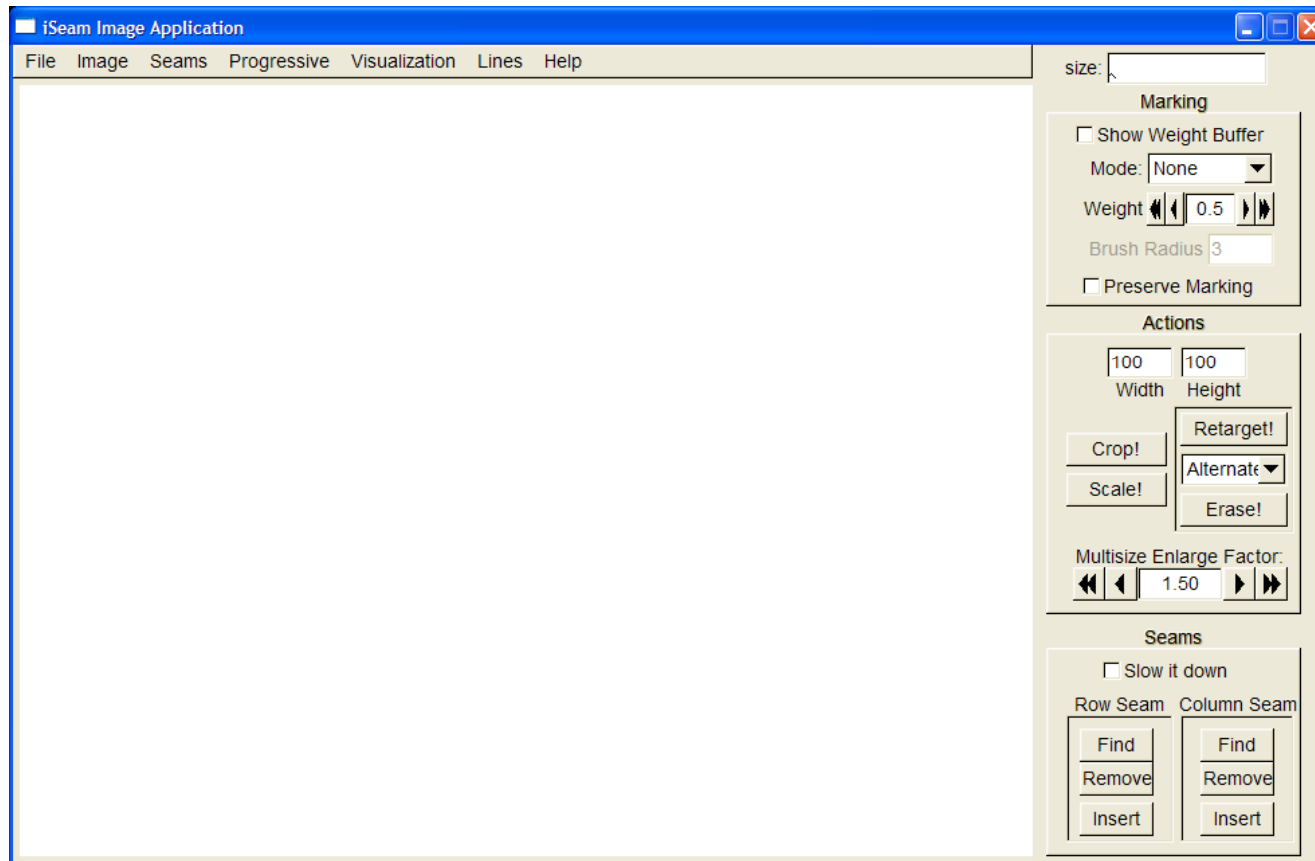


Content  
Aware

Scale

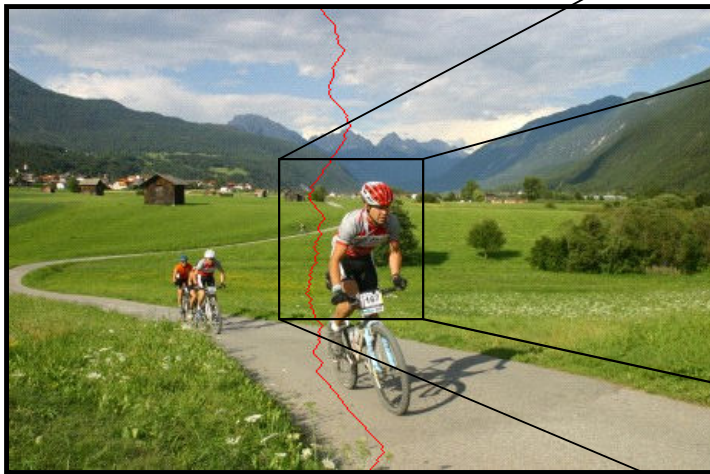
Crop

# Our Approach





# A Seam



# Seam Carving



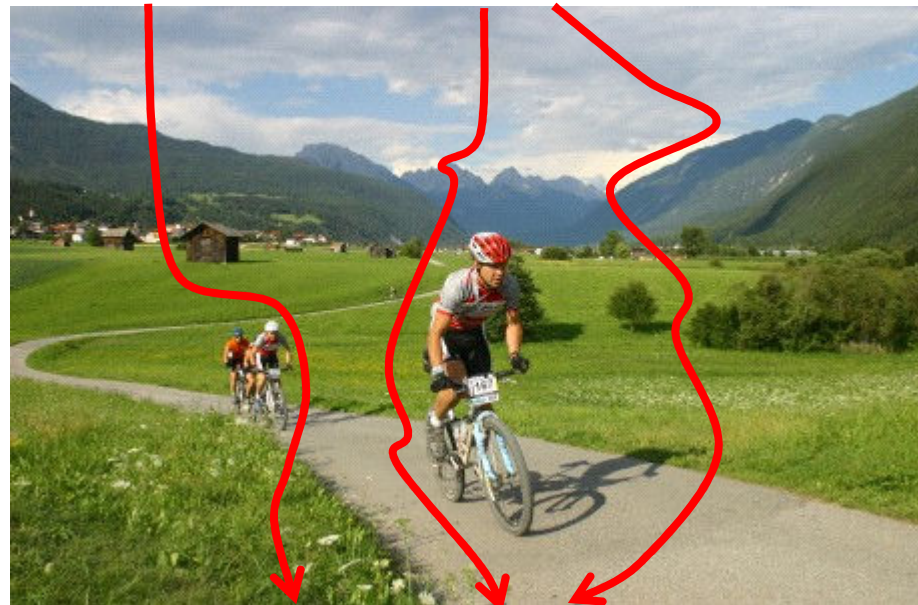
# A Local Operator!

*Width is  
one pixel smaller*



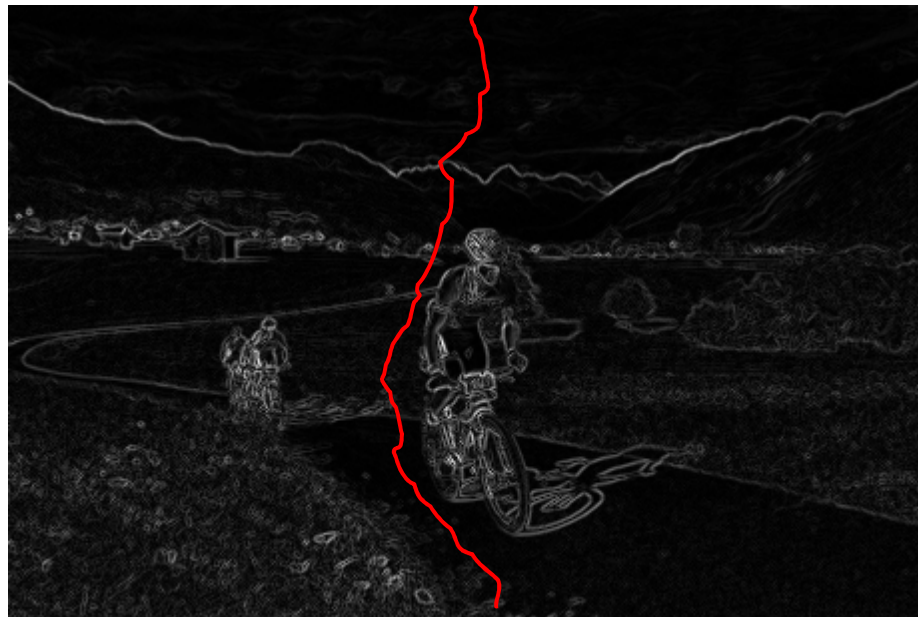


# Finding the Seam?



# The Optimal Seam

$$E(\mathbf{I}) = \left| \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \mathbf{I} \right| + \left| \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \mathbf{I} \right| \quad \Rightarrow \quad s^* = \arg \min_s E(s)$$



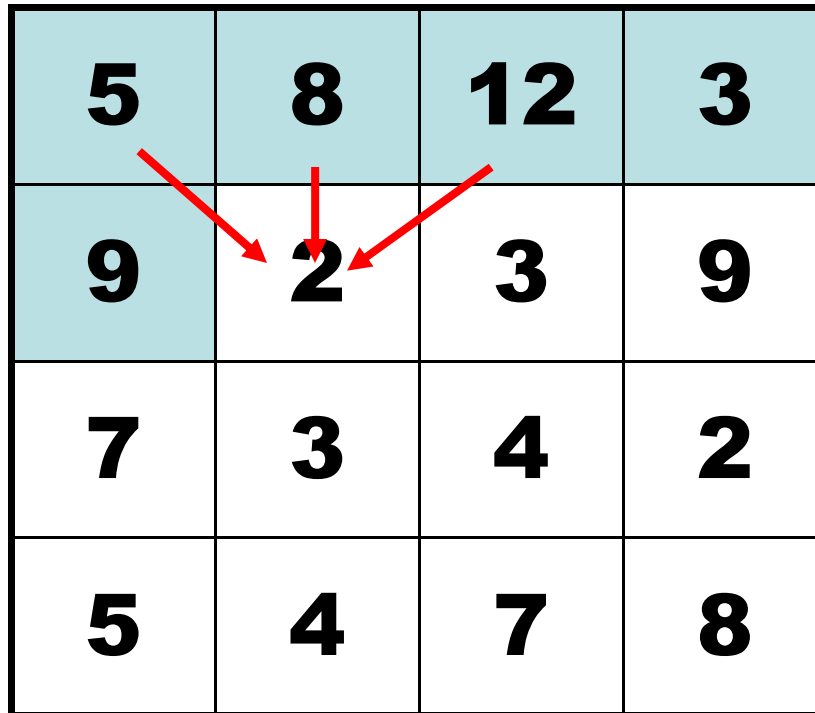
# How Many Possible Seams?

- An image has  $n$  columns and  $m$  rows
- Start from any pixel at top row ( $n$ )
- For each one choose between 3 possible pixels in the next row
- For each one of those, choose between 3 in the next row...
- $n \cdot 3^{m-1}$  = exponential! ☹



# Pixel Attribute → Dynamic Programming

$$M(i, j) = e(i, j) + \min(M(i-1, j-1), M(i-1, j), M(i-1, j+1))$$

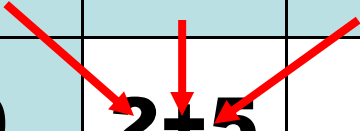


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<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>

# Dynamic Programming

$$M(i, j) = e(i, j) + \min(M(i-1, j-1), M(i-1, j), M(i-1, j+1))$$

<b>5</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>9</b>	<b>2+5</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>
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# Dynamic Programming


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<b>5</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>9</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>3+3</b>	<b>9</b>
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# Dynamic Programming

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<b>14</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>14</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>8+8</b>





## Searching for Minimum

$$M(i, j) = e(i, j) + \min(M(i-1, j-1), M(i-1, j), M(i-1, j+1))$$

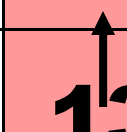
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<b>14</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>



## Backtracking the Seam

$$M(i, j) = e(i, j) + \min(M(i-1, j-1), M(i-1, j), M(i-1, j+1))$$

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The diagram illustrates the backtracking process for finding the minimum cost seam. It shows a 4x4 grid of cost values. The cells (2,2) with value 6, (3,1) with value 9, and (4,2) with value 13 are highlighted in red. An arrow points from the red cell at (2,2) to the red cell at (3,1), and another arrow points from the red cell at (3,1) to the red cell at (4,2), showing the path of minimum cost backtracking.

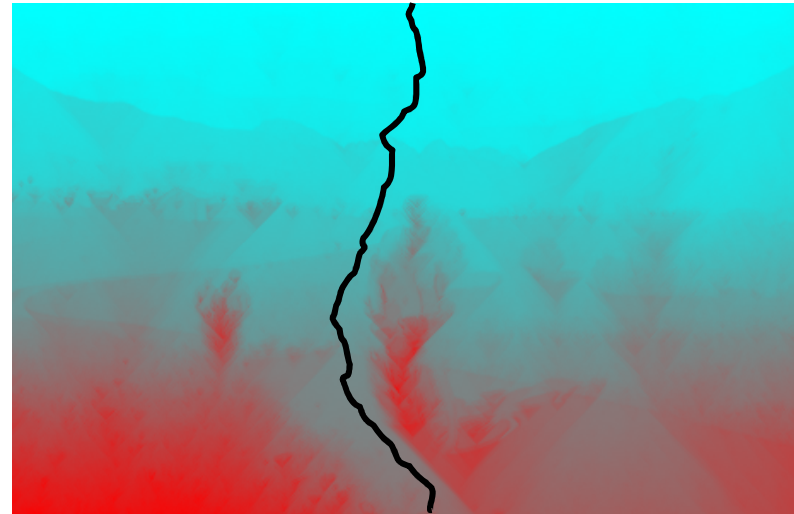
## Backtracking the Seam

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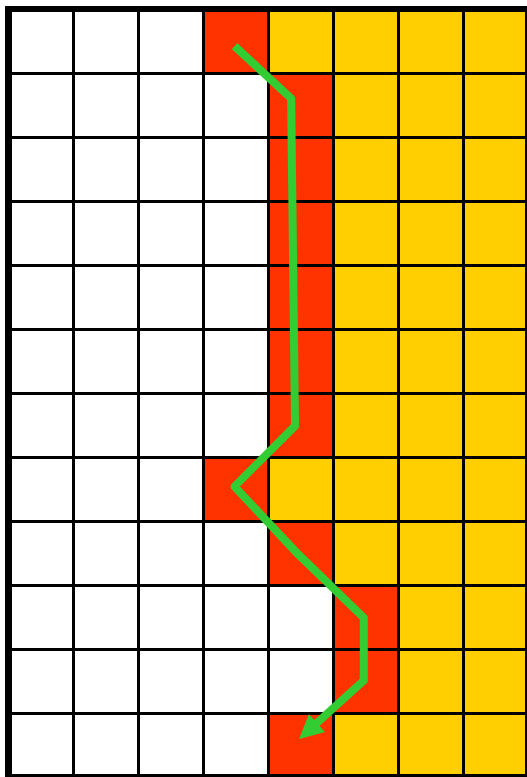
# The Cost Matrix & Seam



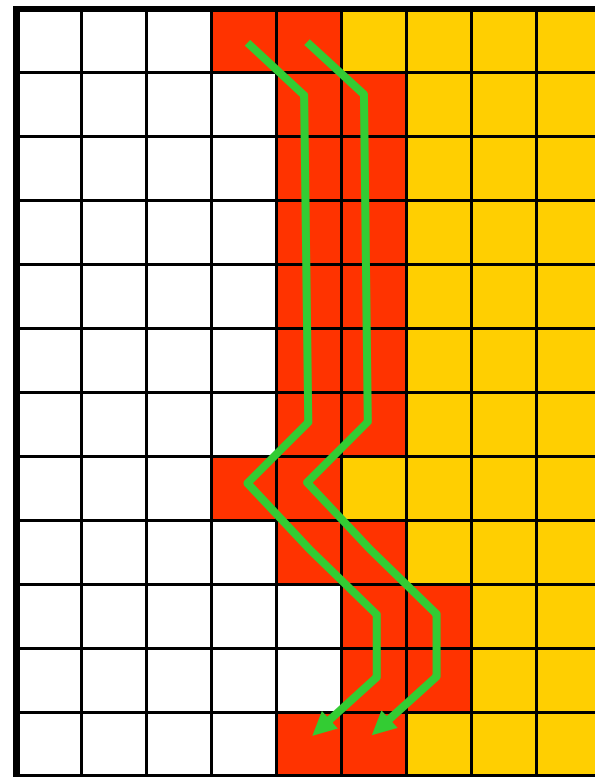
*Low  
cost*

*High  
cost*

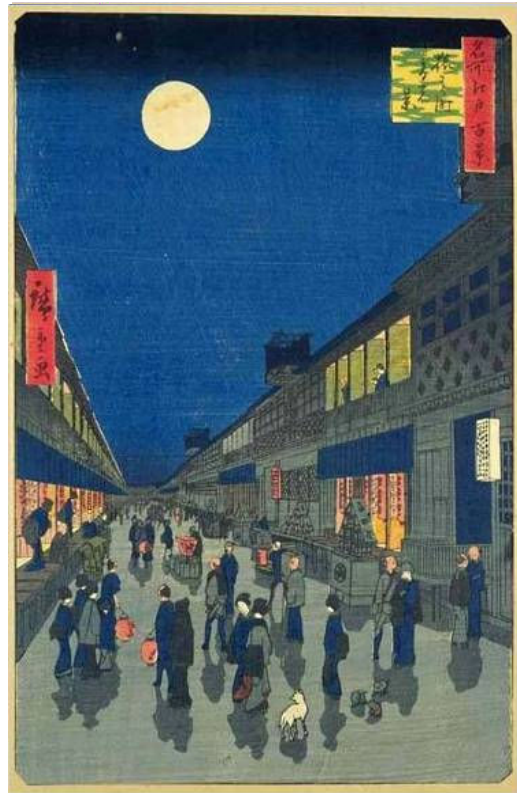
# Inserting a Seam?



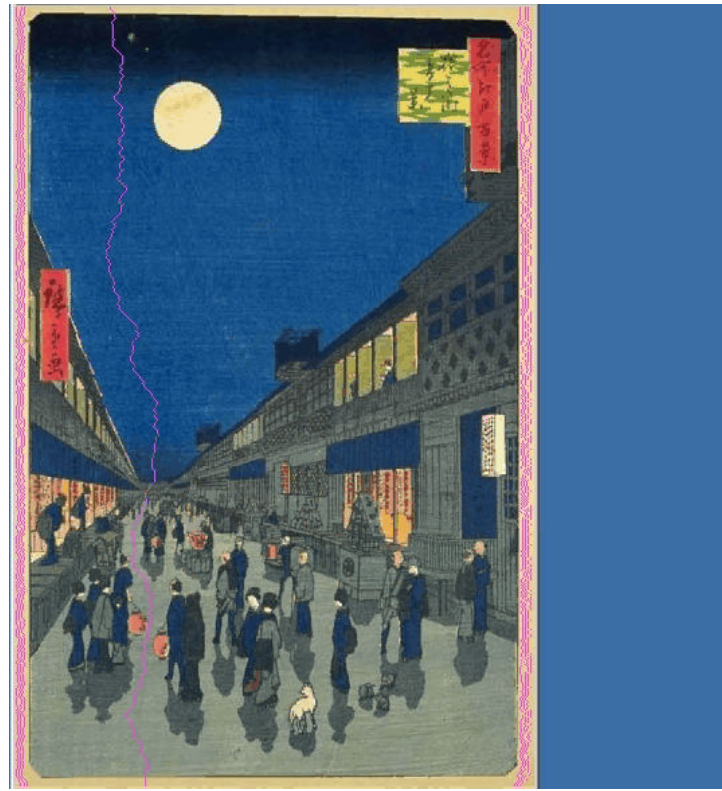
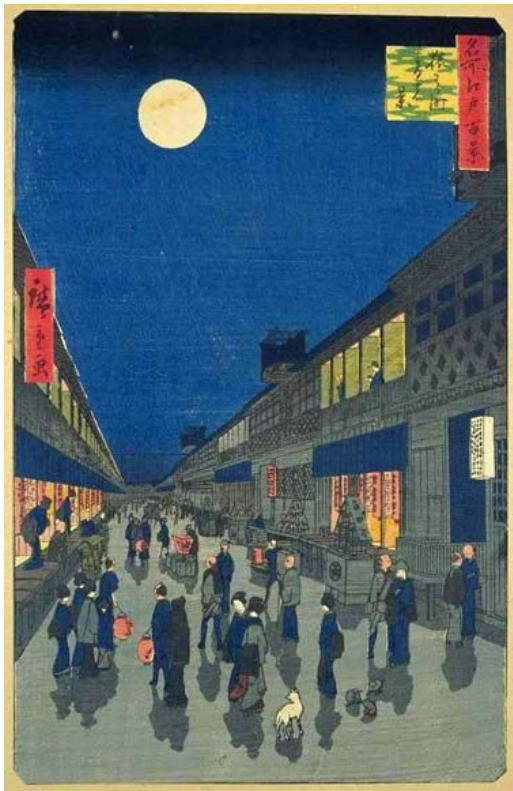
*Duplicate*



*Width is  
one pixel larger*

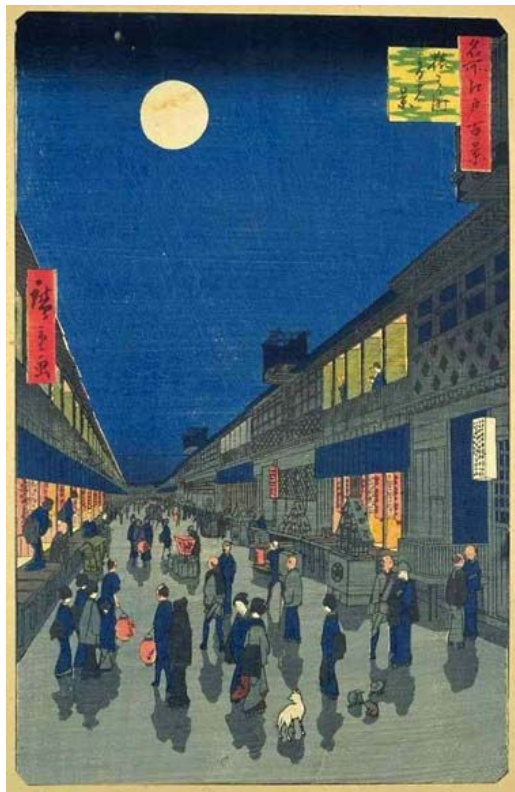


# Duplicate Seams in Order





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# Enlarged or Reduced?





# Not Always a Success



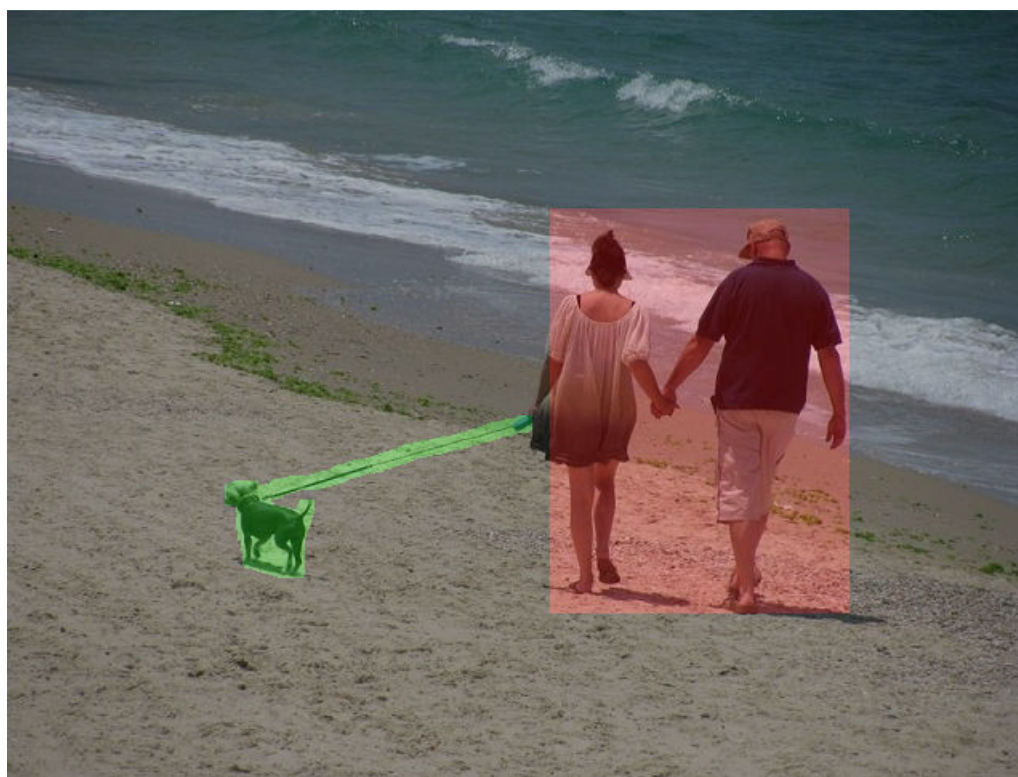


Image: Yehudit Garinkol



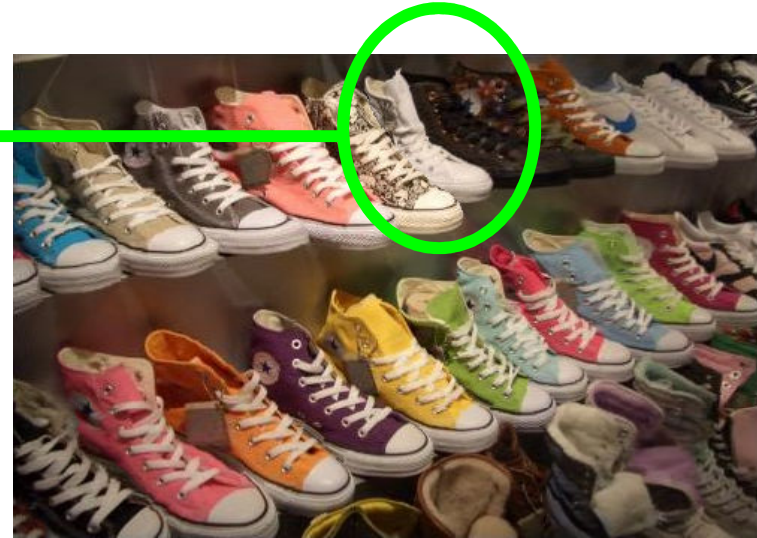


# Find the Missing Shoe!

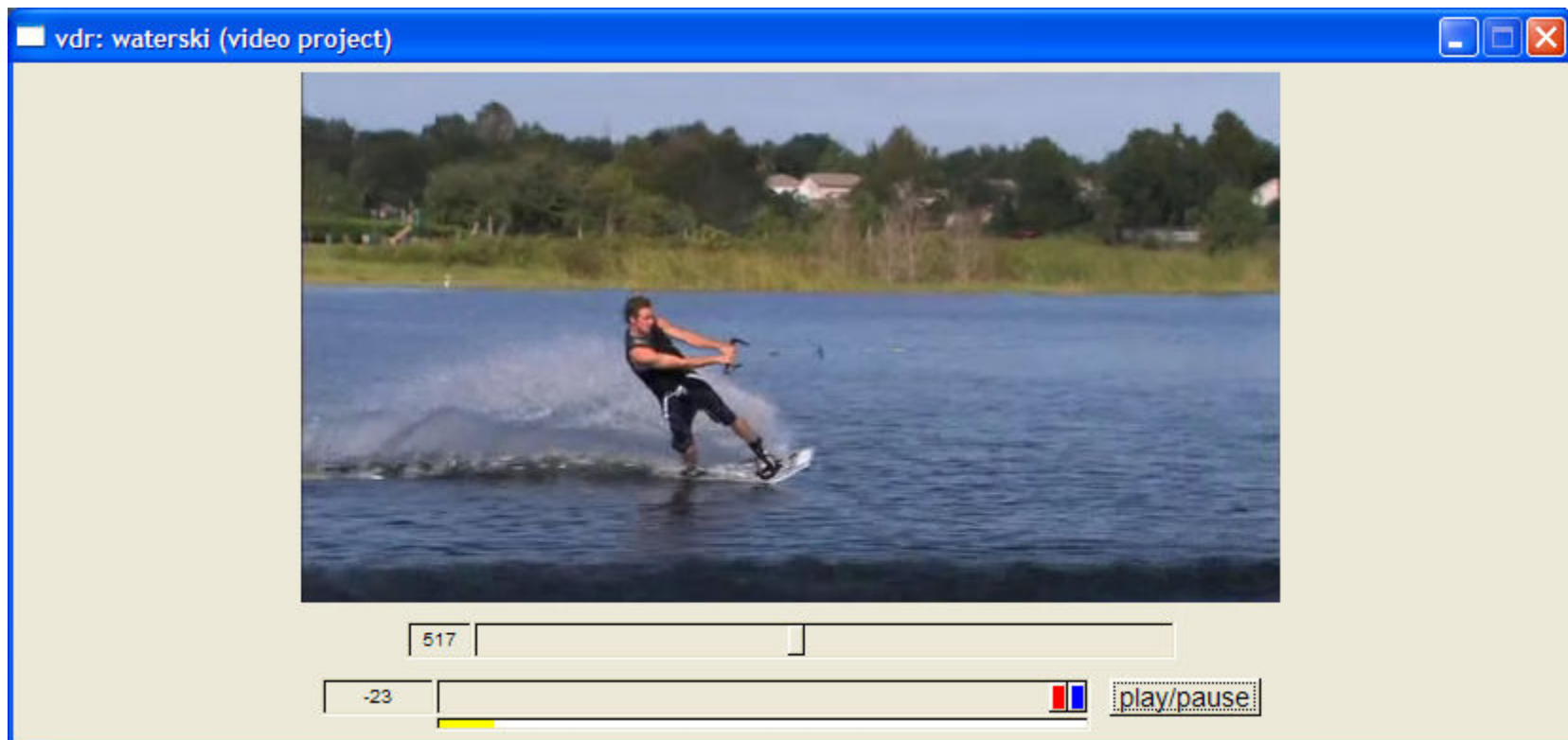




# Solution

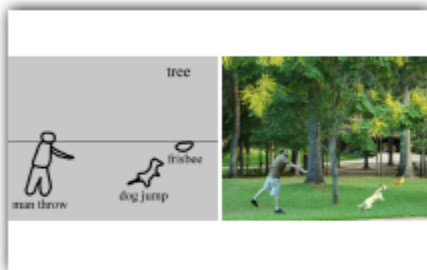


# Video As Well





# Fabricating an Whole Image



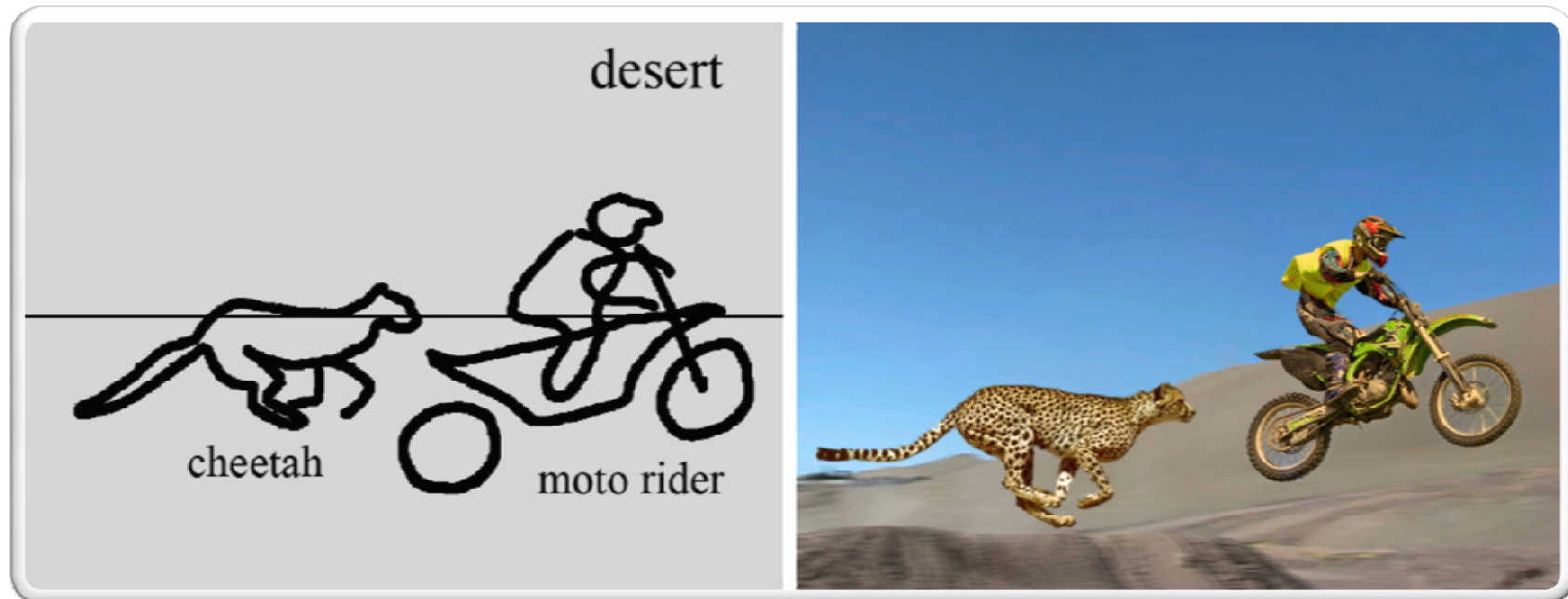
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tree



man throw



dog jump



frisbee

man throw

dog jump

sunset beach



seagull



sailboat



sailboat

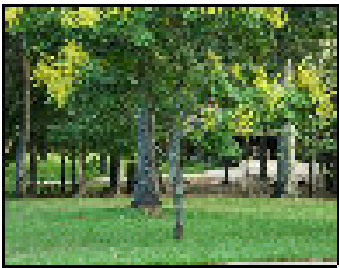


wedding kiss

wedding kiss



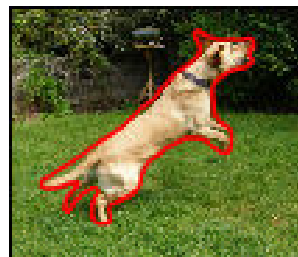
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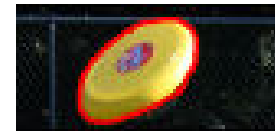
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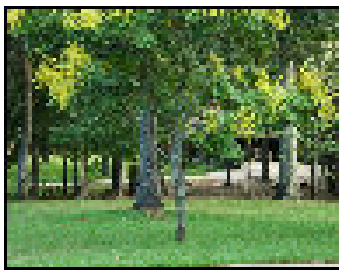
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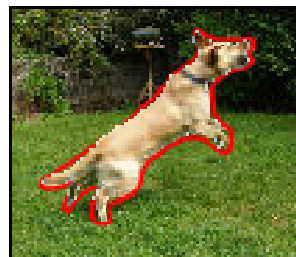
# Find, Cut & Paste



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# Challenges

- Image search
- Image comparison
- Image segmentation
- Image composition

*All Very difficult problems in general!*

- Key idea:

*Make the problems simpler by using simple images!*

*→ Extensive filtering*



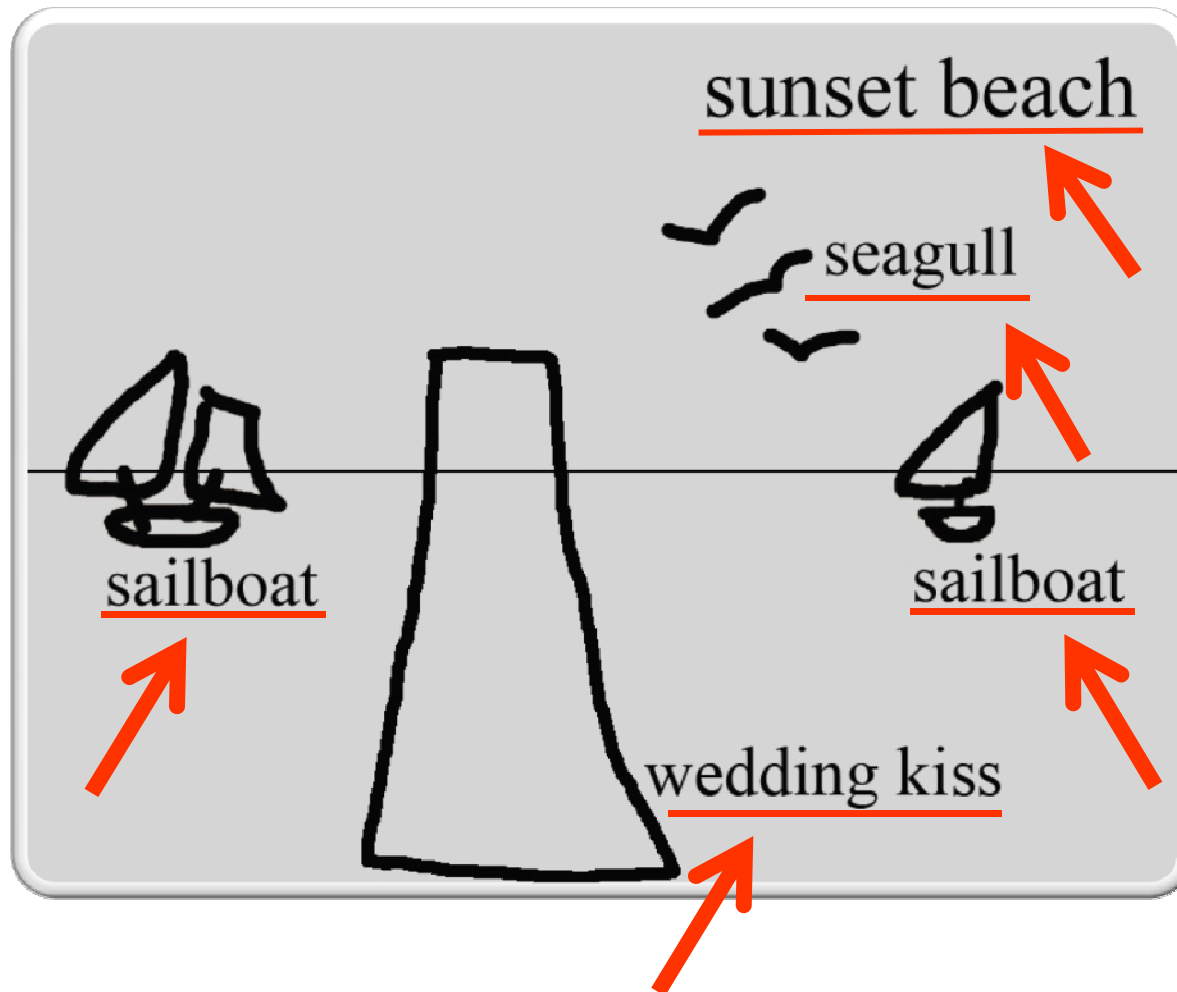
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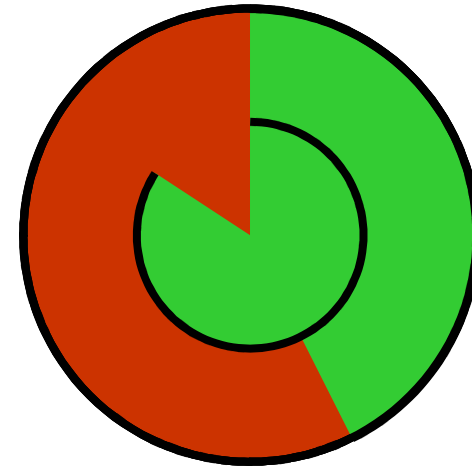
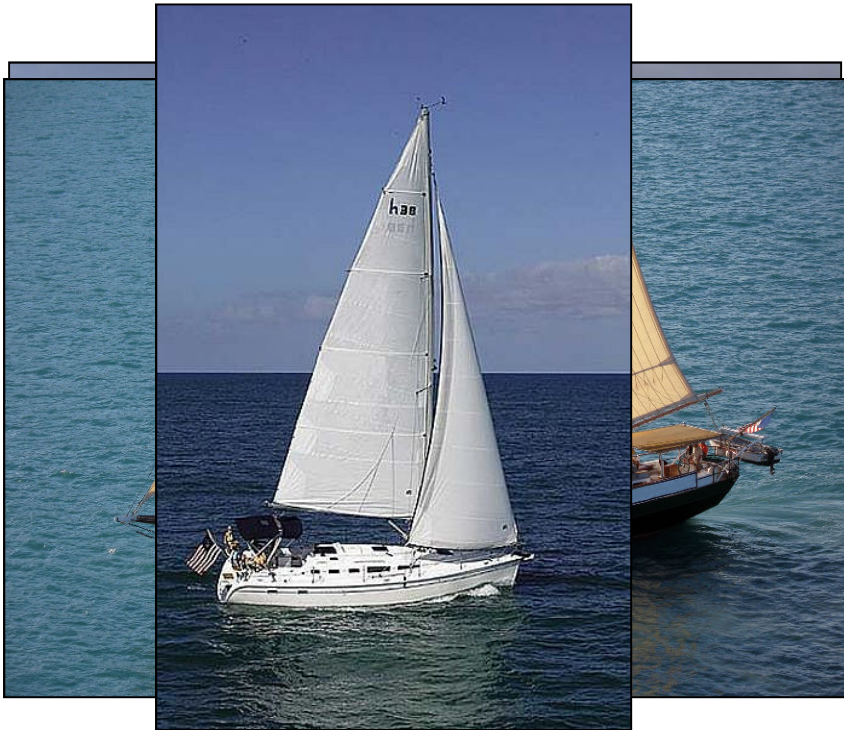
From msc-photosdes...

Filtering

Query:



## Shape Filtering



## Filtering

- Small total number but large ratio of “good images” (around 80%-90%)



- Extensive filtering work only because we have *the Internet*



# Composition

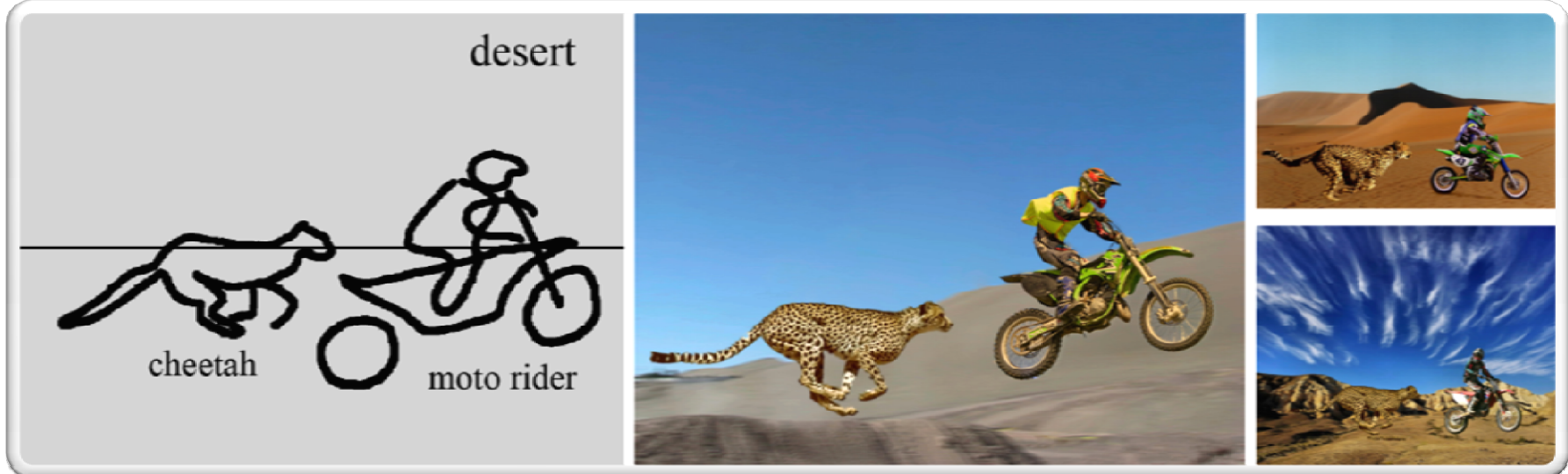


Source Image



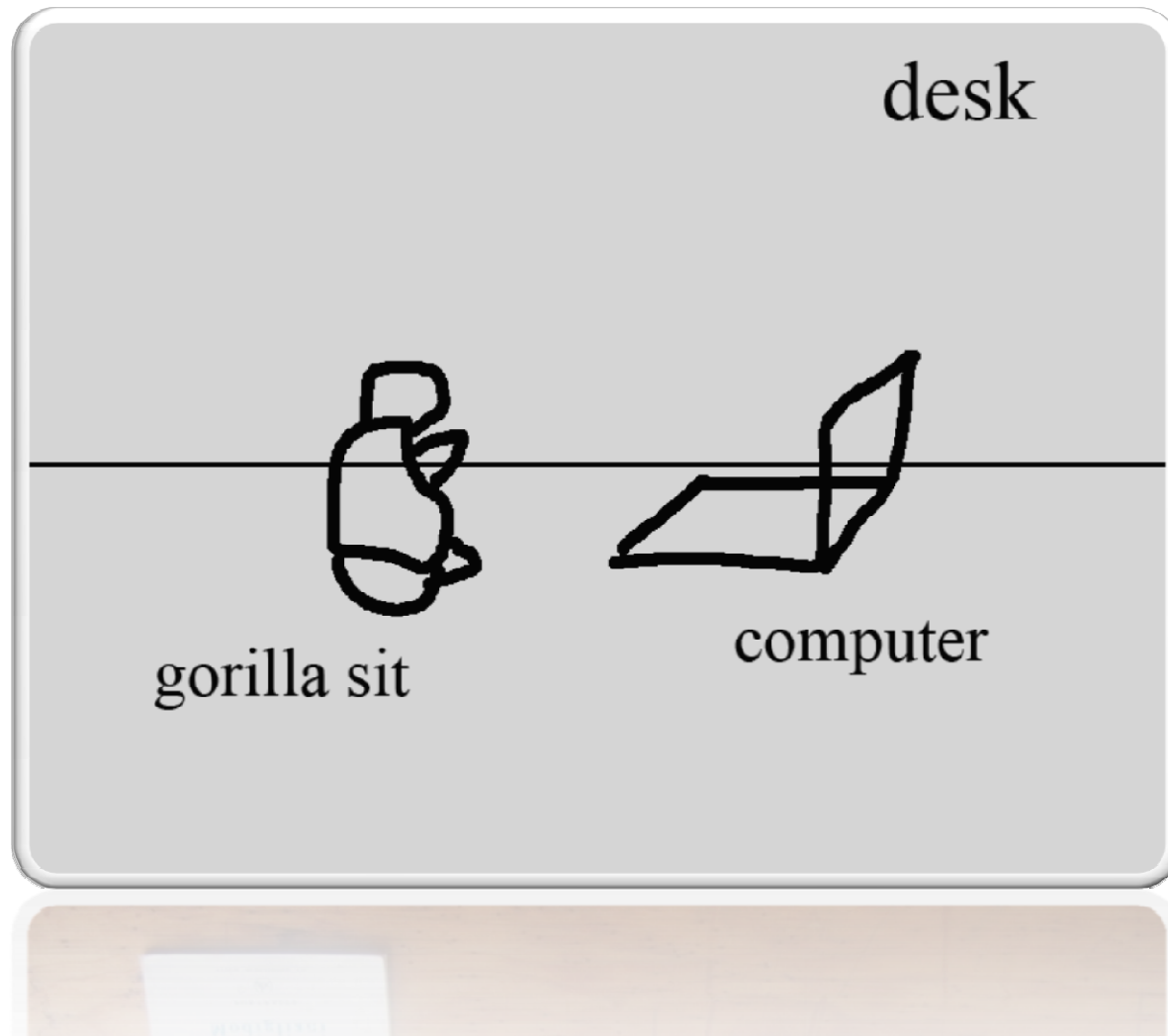
Target Image

# Takes Time...



## And...

# Not Always a Success



# More Results

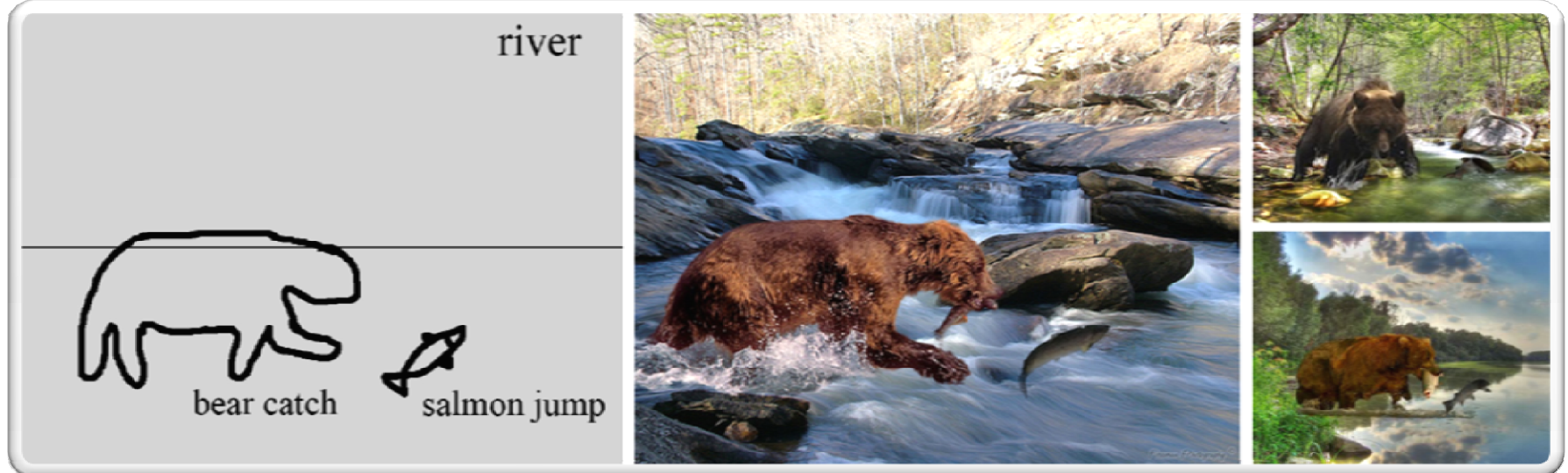




# More Results

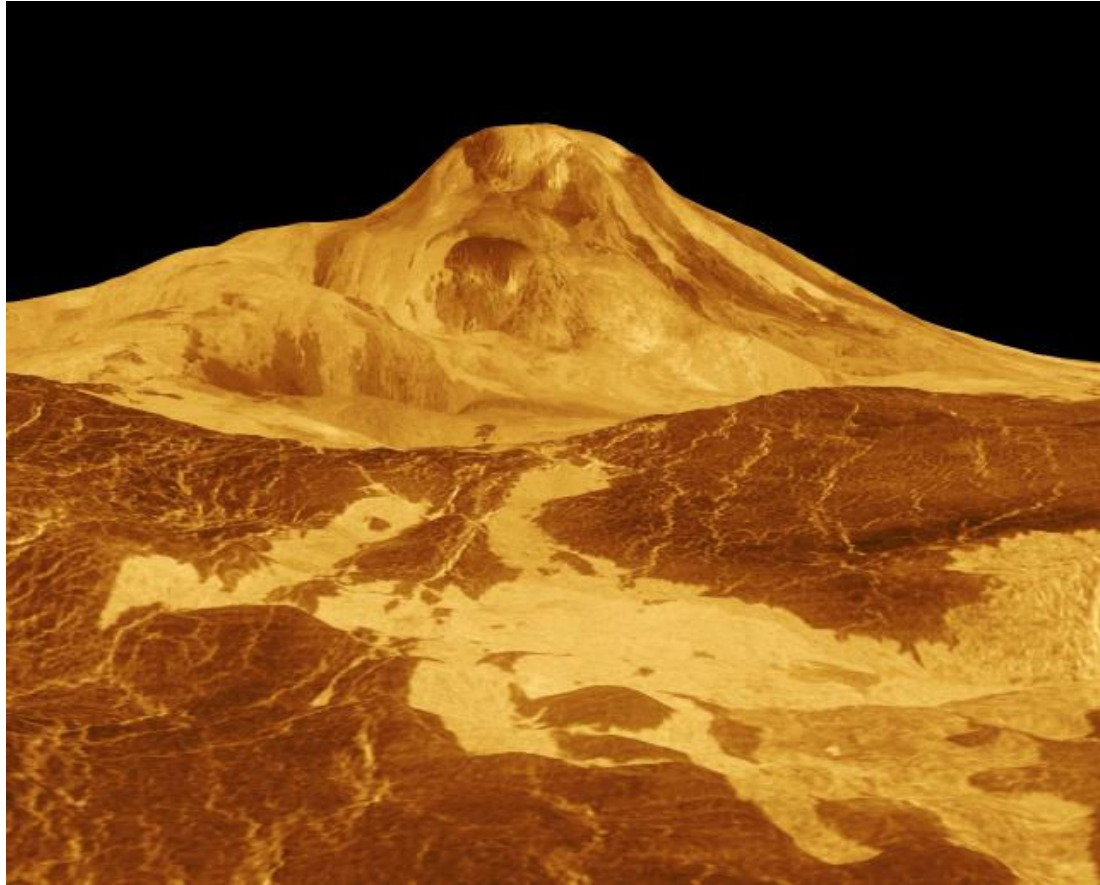


# More Results



*Do images convey reality?*

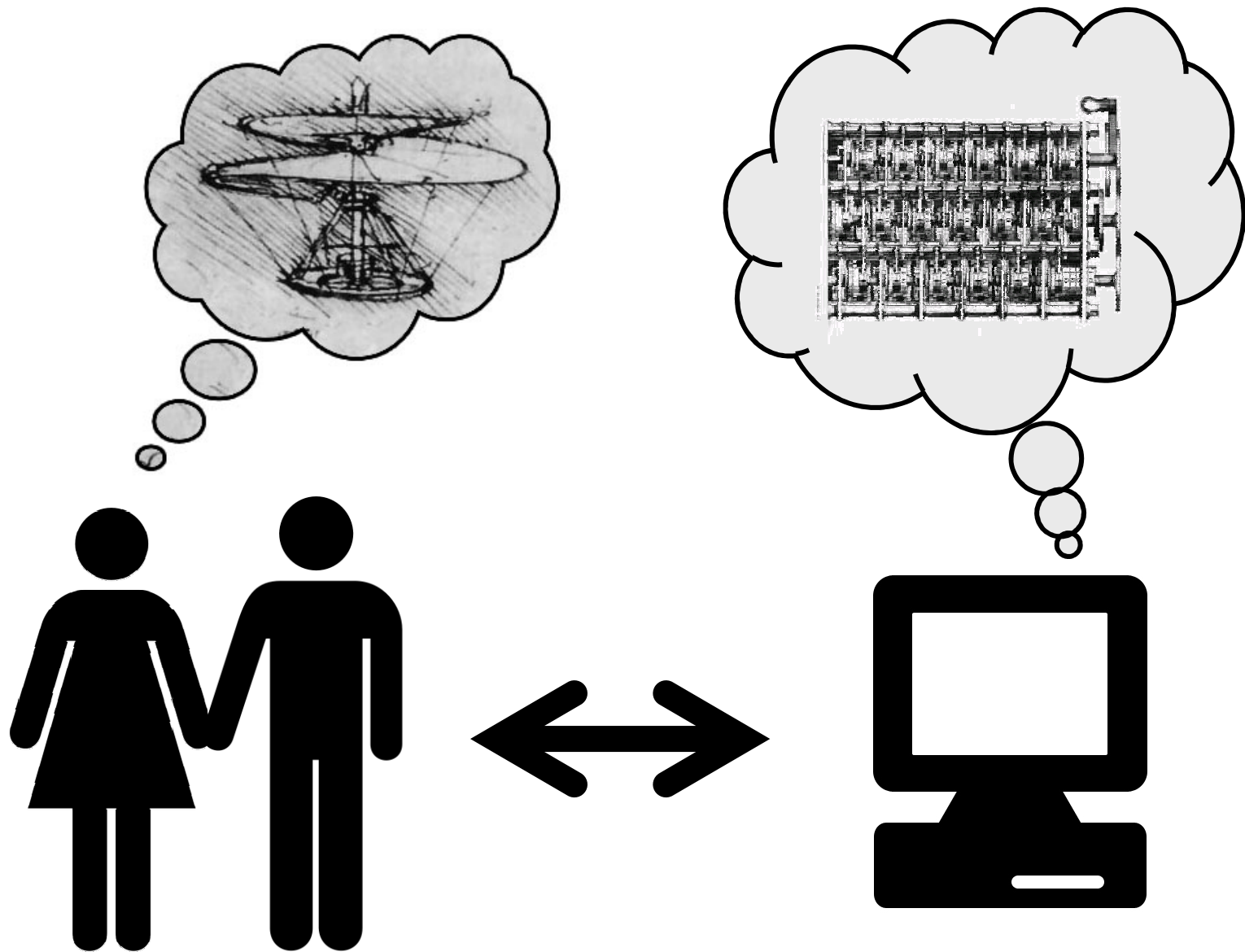




Maat Mons on Venus

Vertical exaggeration of 22.5 times

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